

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 remain in the present application.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has imposed a restriction requirement, and requested that Applicants elect one of two identified groups of claims for prosecution in connection with the present application. The groups of claims are as follows:

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| <i>Group I</i> | Claims 1-33, drawn to a substrate cleaning facility; and |
| <i>Group II</i> | Claims 34-40, drawn to a method of cleaning substrates in a cleaning facility. |

APPLICANTS ELECTION

Applicants respectfully elect Group I, including claims 1-33, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application for the non-elected claims (i.e., claims 34-40) during the pendency of this application.

CONCLUSION

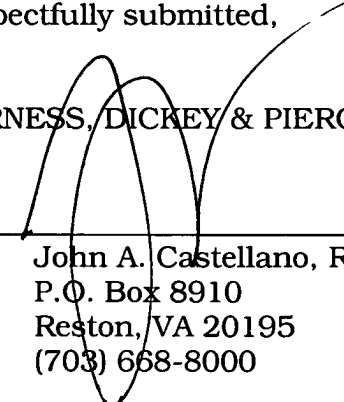
An early indication of the allowability of claims 1-40 in connection with present application is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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